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MEDICAID MEMO

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No Inflation Adjustment for Home Health Providers — Effective July 1, 2010

The purpose of this memo is to notify home health providers that there will be no inflation adjustment to rates effective for dates of service on or after July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2012.

This action is in accordance with Item 297.FFF of the 2010 Appropriation Act, which mandates the elimination of the state fiscal year 2011 and 2012 inflation adjustment for home health providers.

Home health rates effective July 1, 2010 may be found on the DMAS internet site at www.dmas.virginia.gov, under Provider Services, Rate Setting Information, Home Health, Rates.

REQUESTS FOR DUPLICATE REMITTANCE ADVICES

In an effort to reduce operating expenditures, requests for duplicate provider remittance advices are no longer printed and mailed free of charge. Duplicate remittance advices are now processed and sent via secure email. A processing fee for generating duplicate paper remittance advices has been applied to paper requests, effective July 1, 2009.

ALTERNATE METHODS TO LOOK UP INFORMATION

As of August 1, 2009, DMAS authorized users now have the additional capability to look up service limits by entering a procedure code with or without a modifier. Any procedure code entered must be part of a current service limit edit to obtain any results. The service limit information returned pertains to all procedure codes used in that edit and will not be limited to the one procedure code that is entered. This is designed to enhance the current ability to request service limits by Service Type, e.g., substance abuse, home health, etc. Please refer to the appropriate Provider Manual for the specific service limit policies.



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ELIGIBILITY VENDORS

DMAS has contracts with the following eligibility verification vendors offering internet real-time, batch and/or integrated platforms. Eligibility details such as eligibility status, third party liability, and service limits for many service types and procedures are available. Contact information for each of the vendors is listed below.

Passport Health	SIEMENS	Emdeon
	Medical	
	Solutions -	

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Communications, Inc.	Health Services	www.emdeon.com Telephone:
www.passporthealth.com	Foundation Enterprise	1 (877) 363-3666
sales@passporthealth.com	Systems/HDX	
Telephone:	www.hdx.com Telephone:	
	1 (610) 219-2322	
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ELIGIBILITY AND CLAIMS STATUS INFORMATION

DMAS offers a web-based Internet option (ARS) to access information regarding Medicaid or FAMIS eligibility, claims status, check status, service limits, prior authorization, and pharmacy prescriber identification. The website address to use to enroll for access to this system is http://virginia.fhsc.com.

The MediCall voice response system will provide the same information and can be accessed by calling 1-800-884-9730 or 1-800-772-9996. Both options are available at no cost to the provider.



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COPIES OF MANUALS

DMAS publishes electronic and printable copies of its Provider Manuals and Medicaid Memoranda on the DMAS website at www.dmas.virginia.gov. Refer to the "DMAS Content Menu" column on the left- hand side of the DMAS web page for the "Provider Services" link, which takes you to the "Manuals, Memos and Communications" link. This link opens up a page that contains all of the various communications to providers, including Provider Manuals and Medicaid Memoranda. The Internet is the most efficient means to receive and review current provider information. If you do not have access to the Internet or would like a paper copy of a manual, you can order it by contacting Commonwealth-Martin at 1-804-780-0076. A fee will be charged for the printing and mailing of the manuals and manual updates that are requested.

"HELPLINE"

The "HELPLINE" is available to answer questions Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., except on state holidays. The "HELPLINE" numbers are:

1-804-786-6273 Richmond area and out-of-state long distance

1-800-552-8627 All other areas (in-state, toll-free long distance)

Please remember that the "HELPLINE" is for provider use only. Please have your Medicaid Provider Identification Number available when you call.